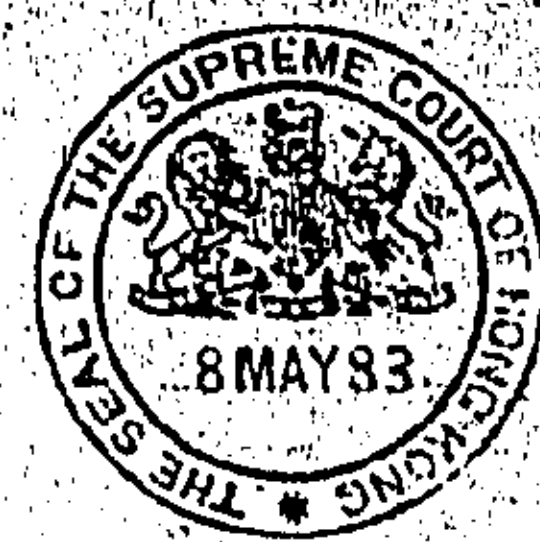


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No. 397.

MONDAY, MAY 7, 1883.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER.

For Sale.

NATURAL CHAMPAGNE.

LEMOINE'S VIN BRUT.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been
Appointed Agents
for the Sale of the above Wine
BY
Messrs. DENMAN & Co., Piccadilly, London.

VIN BRUT
is light in colour, fresh and clean, its exhilarating
properties not being vitiated by added Sugar
and Spirits, it will therefore agree with
persons to whom the ordinary and
sweetened Champagnes
are injurious.

The undoubted Purity of this FINE CHAM-
PAGNE, combined with its very low price,
viz.

\$17..... per Dozen Quarts.
\$18..... per 2 Dozen Pints.
should command for it a large Sale, especially
during the Summer Months.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 4th May, 1883. [340]

Insurances.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.
(CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.)

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [106]

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000, EQUAL \$833,333.33.
RESERVE FUND.....\$70,858.27.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq.,..... LEE YAT LAU, Esq.,
LO YEOK MOON, Esq.,..... CHU CHIK NUNG, Esq.,

MANAGER.—HO AMEL.
MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at
CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1882. [601]

YANGTSE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000.00.
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000.00.
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 290,553.95

TOTAL CAPITAL and
ACCUMULATIONS, 8th
May, 1882.....Tls. 940,553.95

DIRECTORS:
H. DE C. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
J. H. PINCKVOSS, Esq., Wm. MEYERINK, Esq.,
A. J. M. INVERARITY, Esq., G. H. WHELLER, Esq.,

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH.
Messrs. BARRING BROTHERS & Co.,
Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent,
68 and 69, Cornhill, E.C.

POLICIES granted on MARINE RISKS to all
parts of the World.
Subject to a charge of 12 per cent. for Interest
on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the
UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually dis-
tributed among all Contributors of Business (whether
Shareholders or not) in proportion to the
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1883. [83]

THE Undersigned have been appointed
AGENTS in the NEW YORK BOARD
of UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1883.

RECORD OF AMERICAN and FOREIGN
SHIPPING.

Agents,
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Hongkong, 15th June, 1883. [457]

MR. MOORE begs to recommend his
GOGO SHAMPOO WASH
to the public as unrivalled by any preparation
ever produced for promoting the growth
of the hair. The basis of this compound is
made of soap root, the natives of the Philip-
pine Islands, never use anything else for
washing their hair; they are never found bald,
and it is quite common to see the females with
hair from 5 to 6 feet long. By constantly using
this Shampoo Wash as directed, you will
NEVER BE BALD.

The proprietor offers the Wash to the public
entirely confident that by its restorative
properties it will without all arrest decaying
hair, completely eradicate scurf, dandruff,
and cure all diseases of the scalp. It does not
contain any poisonous drugs. By its cooling
properties it allays the itching and fever of the
scalp, which is the great cause of people losing
their hair.

Mr. MOORE has succeeded in being able to
put this wash up in bottles without allowing it to
ferment, and he will guarantee it to keep any
length of time in any climate.

FOR SALE ONLY BY MOORE & Co.,
VARIETY STORE,
Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 25th January, 1883. [321]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION OF BOOKS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been
instructed to Sell by Public Auction, at
the Court House, on

SATURDAY,
the 12th instant, at 2 O'CLOCK P.M.,
THE LIBRARY of the late MR. JUSTICE
SNOWDEN.

Comprising:—
The Principal LAW BOOKS and General
LITERATURE.

Also,
A Few BOOKS on CHINESE SUBJECTS, and
MORRISON'S CHINESE DICTIONARY.
The BOOKS will be on view at the Court
House on the 11th instant.

TERMS.—Cash.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1883. [348]

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

LESSEE and MANAGER.....E. S. WOLFE.
STAGE MANAGER.....O. T. JACKSON.
LEADER OF STRING AND.....J. NEIHOF.
BRASS BANDS.....R. THORNE.
CONDUCTOR.....R. THORNE.

FOR A SHORT SEASON,
COMMENCING
TO-MORROW EVENING,
the 8th May.

(The performance advertised to take place on the
evening of the 5th has been unavoidably
Postponed through the non arrival of
S. S. Nelson, from Sydney.)

UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE AND
IN THE PRESENCE OF
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,
SIR GEORGE BOWEN, G.C.M.G.,
AND SUITE.

"PREPARE FOR MIRTH, FOR MIRTH
BECOMES A FEAST!"—SHAKESPEARE.

MASTODON
STAR
MINSTRELS.

BETTER THAN THE BEST.
MUSIC. MIRTH. MELODY.

AN EXTRAORDINARY ENTERPRISE INAUGURATED.
New features found and produced for the
first time by this

GRAND COTERIE OF REFINED ARTISTES.
The Potent Praise paid them Predicates that
they are the positive precursors of a
progressive period.

Precluding Presuming Plagiarists and the
Putative Prototypes for Posterity.

26 FAMOUS ARTISTES IN THE FIRST PART.
THE PRIDES OF ETHIOPIAN COMEDY.

8 END MEN. 8 END MEN.
THE BEST COMIC SONGS!

THE BEST WIT AND HUMOUR!
THE ACROBATIC CLOGGISTS.

121 STARS OF STARS 121
12 GREAT SONG AND DANCE MEN 12
Giving Every Variety of this favourite Specialty
from the Neat to the grotesque.

A Champion to the Grand Clog Feature and
unequaled on the Minstrel Stage.

THE MASTODON ORCHESTRA!
16 IN NUMBER—16 IN NUMBER! 161

Largest, most complete and effective combination
OF

SOLO INSTRUMENTALISTS
With any Minstrel Organization in the World,
surpassing all previous efforts.

The Happiest Blending of Harmony and Humor,
the Cream of Mirth, the Ideal of Pathos.

'Tis not in Mortals to Command Success but
we'll do more; we'll deserve it.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

Ex Steamship "LAUREN."
A CONSIGNMENT OF HOCKING'S
PATENT FRESH WATER
CONDENSERS.

THE BEST & CHEAPEST EVER MADE.
Capable of Condensing Three Thousand
Gallons per day.

Apply to
G. FENWICK & Co.,
Victoria Foundry.
Hongkong, 25th April, 1883. [338]

FOR SALE.
PRICE \$1,000 ONLY.

A BEAUTIFUL SUMMER RESIDENCE
in MACAO, comprising BUNGALOW,
with spacious Flower and Vegetable GAR-
DENS, occupying a cool and healthy situation
and commanding a magnificent view. Excellent
spring water, and sea bathing only a few yards
distant.

For Particulars, apply to
J. NOVES e SOUZA,
Pharmacia Lisbonense,
Macao.

FOR SALE CHEAP.
SEVERAL GOOD PONIES, suitable for
Hack, Carriage, Pouches or Jumpers.

Apply to
R. FRASER SMITH,
Hongkong Telegraph Office,
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1883. [322]

Intimations.

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED.

MY QUEEN WALTZ.
VIOLETTES WALTZ.
LE PREMIER PAS POLKA.
ALL WALDTEUFEL'S WALTZES.

SWINHEARTS' WALTZ.
OFFICERS' WALTZ.
TRUE TILL DEATH SONG.
CRAMER'S DANCE ALBUMS.

NEW BOOKS.

BABER'S TRAVELS IN WESTERN CHINA.
MAX MULLER'S INDIA.
CRANE'S LECTURES ON ART.
NEW PARLIAMENTARY BLUE BOOKS
ON CHINA.
LECKY'S WRINKLES IN NAVIGATION.
PARALLEL NEW TESTAMENTS.
THE AUSTRALIANS IN ENGLAND.
LANDELL'S THROUGH SIBERIA.
GLAZEBROOK'S PHYSICAL OPTICS.
THE AGE OF FIRE AND GRAVEL BY
DONNELLY.
SEDGWICK'S LIGHT.
GAELIC PROVERBS.
FOREIGN OFFICE LIST.

NEW FANCY GOODS.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1883.

W. BREWER,
QUEEN'S ROAD.

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"NOVELTY STORE,"

MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.

JUST RECEIVED.

FANCY Decorated Bohemian Glass-Ware Watch Stands, Toilet and Perfumery Stands of
Parisian Manufacture, in great variety and elegant designs.
Fancy China-ware Card Trays, Pin Cushions and Powder Cases. Plush and Velvet Work
Boxes and Perfumery Stands with superior Cutlery and Cut-glass Scent Bottles.
New and Fancy lot of Walking Sticks. Pinauds Perfumery, Soaps, Sachets, &c.
Fancy Clocks Embedded in Porcelain-ware Plates, latest, Novelty of Paris, executed in hand-
some and elegant designs.
New Patent Double-action Corkscrews. Ladies' Silk Fringing Machines.
Briar-root and Cherry-wood Pipes with receptacles for receiving and preventing the juice from
running into the mouth.
Real Meerschaum and Amber Cigarette Holders. Nickel and Leather Dog Leads and Collars.
Fox-tail Dusters.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING, OF AMERICAN MANUFACTURE—
SWEET CAPORAL CIGARETTES. OLD JUDGE CIGARETTES.
LONE FISHERMAN CIGARETTES. LITTLE BEAUTY CIGARETTES.
FRUITS & FLOWERS CIGARETTES. DRAWING ROOM CIGARETTES.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1883.

S. MEYERS,
MANAGER.

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SAYLE & CO.'S SHOWROOMS.

SAYLE & CO.

NEW SPRING GOODS.

EX S.S. "GLENCOE"

EX S.S. "GLENOGLE"

WHITE DRESS MATERIALS.
DRESS CIRCLE MATERIALS.
NUNS' VEILINGS in every Color.
SUMMER BEIGES in every Color.
GALATEAS for Boys' Washing Suits.
WHITE INDIA MUSLINS.
MULL CORD MUSLINS.
WHITE VICTORIA LAUNES.
BLACK and COLORED SUNSHADES.
LADIES' PATENT LEATHER SLIPPERS.
LADIES' & CHILDREN'S BOOTS & SHOES.

A LIBERAL DISCOUNT FOR CASH.
SAYLE & CO.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [249]

KELLY & WALSH'S LIST OF NEWLY IMPORTED TOBACCOS AND CIGARETTES.

TOBACCOS.

RICHMOND GEM CURLY CUT.
SWEET CAPORAL.
HALF CAPORAL.
CAPORALS.
TRIPLE ALLIANCE.
EXTRA BRIGHT VIRGINIA.
LONG CUT VIRGINIA.
TURKISH MIXTURE.
COCK ROBIN.
BRIGHT AMERICAN BIRD'S EYE.
UGLY CUT (CAVENDISH).
PERIQUE VIRGINIA MIXTURE.
VETERAN.
WILKS' BRISTOL BIRD'S EYE.
HAVANA CIGARS OF THE CHOICEST BRANDS; MANILA CIGARS AND CHEROOTS,
THOROUGHLY WELL SEASONED.

TOBACCOS—(CONTINUED.)

OLD JUDGE.
HAPPY THOUGHT—Medium Strength.
DOLLAR BRAND—Full Strength.
STAR MIXTURE—Mild.
GOLDEN EAGLE—Medium Strength.

CIGARETTES.

LITTLE BEAUTIES.
OLD JUDGE.
CAPORAL.
HALF CAPORAL.
RICHMOND GEM.
RUSSIAN CIGARETTES.

NEW GOODS JUST RECEIVED.

New Assortment of Cut Scraps.
New Fancy Partouts.
Call Bells.
New Photo Albums for Cabinets only.
News Cutting Scissors.
Canton Drawing Pencils in Boxes of 6 Grades.
Skeleton Guard Books.
Invoice Guard Books.
Prepared Charcoal for Drawing.
SPECIALTY—ANTI COCKROACH VARNISH, effectually prevents the destruction of
Books by Cockroaches. It neither injures the binding, nor produces the objectionable sticky
appearance common with Chinese Varnishes.—Sole Proprietors.

KELLY & WALSH—HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 28th April, 1883. [560]

CHS. J. GAUFF & CO.
CHRONOMETER, WATCH AND
CLOCK-MAKERS,
JEWELLERS, SILVER-SMITHS, AND
OPTICIANS.

CHARTS AND BOOKS.
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.
SOLE AGENTS
for Louis Audemars' Watches, awarded the
highest Prizes at every Exhibition; and
for Voigtlander and Sohn's
CELEBRATED OPERA GLASSES, MARINE
GLASSES, AND SPYGLASSES.

No. 30, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL 144

GUDES & CO.
PRINTERS, STATIONERS, AND
BOOKBINDERS,
D'AGUIAR STREET.

EVERY KIND OF WORK EXECUTED WITH
ACCURACY, NEATNESS, AND DESPATCH
ON
VERY MODERATE TERMS.

SELECTED MATERIALS FOR
MARKET REPORTS.

Book-binding and Ruling in every style executed
at low rates. Workmanship guaranteed.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [614]

Mails.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM- SHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND
EUROPE;

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

THE Steamship

"ARABIC,"
will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama,
on MONDAY, the 21st instant, at THREE
P.M.

Connection being made at Yokohama with
Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.
All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to
address in full; and same will be received at the
Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day pre-
vious to sailing.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who
have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Fran-
cisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within
six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 per
cent. from Return Fare; if re-embarking within
one year, an allowance of 10 per cent. will be
made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return
Passage Orders, available for one year, will be
issued at a Discount of 25 per cent. from Return
Fare. These allowances do not apply to through
fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland,
Mexican, Central, and South American Cargo,
should be sent to the Company's Offices, ad-
dressed to the Collector of Customs, San Fran-
cisco.

For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company
No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.
F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1883. [2]

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
"CRYSTAL"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Counter-
signature and to take immediate delivery of their
Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding her discharge or remaining on
board after the 6th inst., will be landed and
stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no
Fire Insurance will be effected.

Consignees are hereby informed, that any
claims must be made immediately, as none will
be entertained after the 10th instant.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1883. [345]

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE
DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.

STEAMSHIP "LIBAN,"
CANDOLLE, COMMANDER.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named
vessel from Marseilles and intermediate
Ports, and in connection with the "TAIGETE,"
from London, are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk into
Godown B of the Undersigned, Marine Lot No.
12, whence and/or from the wharves or boats
delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
after the 8th instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1883. [335]

Intimations.

Granville Sharp.

P. P. C.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that ORIGINAL
SCRIP CERTIFICATE, No. 3, dated 6th
January, 1883, for 203 SHARES Nos. 1,123 to
1,415 in the above Company, registered in the
Name of JAMES CAMPBELL WARDLAW
has been LOST, and a Duplicate thereof will be
issued at once. No transaction taking place
under the said ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE will be
Recognised by the Company hereafter.

RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1883. [355]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHOPKEEPERS AND
OTHERS.

THE DIRECTORS are prepared to let for
a term not exceeding FIVE YEARS
(after completion) SIX HANDSOME SHOPS
on the Basement of the Hotel Building.
For further particulars, apply to

LOUIS HAUSCHILD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1883. [296]

Intimation.

SIGNOR ANTONIO CATTANEO, of the
CONSERVATOIRE DE BERGAMO and late of
the ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY, has
the honor to inform the community that he has
arranged to remain in Hongkong, and will give
lessons in Music, Singing and the Piano-forte.

CHARGES STRICTLY MODERATE.

Address—Messrs. KELLY & WALSH,
Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [166]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.
THE Steamship

"BENLEDI,"
Captain Ross, will be despatched on or about
the 8th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1883. [350]

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND
PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW
ZEALAND, NEW CALEDONIA,
FIJI and TASMANIA.)

THE Eastern and Australian Steamship
Company's Chartered Steamer
"GORDON CASTLE,"

Captain Waring, will be despatched as above,
on or about SATURDAY, the 12th May.

Parcels (all of which must be sent to our Office
will be received up to 4 P.M., on the 11th May.
Contents and Value of Packages must be
declared.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1883. [327]

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE
DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.

THE Steamship

"LIBAN,"
Candolle, Commander, will sail on or about
MONDAY, the 21st May, for MARSEILLES,
via SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, and SUEZ; and with leave to call at
PENANG and TUTICORIN. In connection
with these Steamers the Company runs a Line
from MARSEILLES to HAVRE and LONDON,
leaving MARSEILLES after arrival of the
Steamer from CHINA.

The Company also runs Steamers regularly
from MARSEILLES to numerous Ports in the
MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK SEA, by
which through freight may be booked.

The Company has a Forwarding Agency at
Paris, 9, Rue de Rougemont, giving special
facilities to Shippers.

Each Steamer carries "a Surgeon" and
Stewardess.

FIRST-CLASS FARE TO MARSEILLES.....\$300.
SECOND-CLASS FARE TO MARSEILLES.....\$240.
RETURN TICKETS are now granted by
the Steamers of this line, available for the
undetermined periods, to be reckoned from the
date of arrival at Marseilles of the Steamer for
which the Ticket is issued to the date of re-
embarkation there of the Holder of the Ticket.

IST CLASS. 2ND CLASS.
6 Months.....\$520.....\$410.
12 ".....500.....445.

Special rates are arranged for families.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1883. [335]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE American Bark

"C. B. HAZELTINE,"
Gilkey, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.

Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO.

FAMILY AND DISPENSING
CHEMISTS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES,
PERFUMERS,
IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS
OF
MANILA CIGARS,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
AND
MANUFACTURERS
OF
AERATED WATERS.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

THE SHANGHAI PHARMACY,
24, NANKIN ROAD, SHANGHAI.

BOTICA INGLESA,
14, ESCOLTA, MANILA.

THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON.

THE DISPENSARY, FOCHOW.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the Manager, *Hongkong Telegraph*, and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writers, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

Whilst the columns of the *Hongkong Telegraph* will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in that day's issue not later than THREE O'CLOCK, so as not to retard the early publication of the paper.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Arrangements have been made to publish *The Hongkong Telegraph* daily at 4 P.M. Subscribers in the central districts who do not receive their copies before FIVE O'CLOCK will oblige by at once communicating with the Manager.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MAY 7, 1883.

UNDER the heading "England's Coming Man" our San Francisco contemporary the *Chronicle* deals with one of the most difficult problems in British politics as follows:—In referring to the periodical rumors of Gladstone's well-earned retirement, after half a century of public life, from the cares of office and the leadership of the great Liberal party of Great Britain, the *London Daily News*, a staunch Ministerial organ, goes on to say that "the nation need not be perplexed with the fear of a sudden or immediate change, which, when it comes, cannot but affect the relations of the Liberals to the country." But at the same time it gives notice that "the change cannot be indefinitely, nor, counting by years, long deferred, and it is well to keep it in mind and be prepared for it." In other words, the various sections of the Liberal party are asked to agree upon the coming man. Gladstone himself, who, although a Radical in practice, is a Whig by association, and, as a sort of compromise with his Tory education, has pointed to Lord Hartington, brother of the ill-fated Lord Frederick Cavendish and a Cabinet Minister who has the confidence of the great Whig families, as the statesman specially qualified to succeed him, and it is no secret that this distinguished heir to the ducal house of Devonshire has long been in training for the Premiership. But the extreme section of the Liberal party is well known to be fully determined that Gladstone's successor shall be a Radical and not a Whig, and none other than JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN, junior member for Birmingham, President of the Board of Trade, organizer of the English caucus system and a great favorite with the English masses. It is therefore very probable that England's coming man will not be the friend and protégé of Gladstone, but the disciple and colleague of JOHN BRIDGES, the sturdy Quaker, who, whether as a chief member of the Manchester school or the founder of the new Birmingham school, has done more than any other living man to mould political opinion in England.

There is no room to doubt that JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN, just as much as Lord Hartington, is in training for the English Premiership, and hence, as might be expected, the large number of bitter personal enemies he has created, not only within his own party, but among the ranks of the Conservatives, who, as between Whigs and Radicals, naturally as a whole side with the former. In fact, this struggle for the Premiership between two opposite sections of the Liberal

party promises to lead to a new political division among the English people—with the radical Liberals or Reformers ranged on one side and the conservative Liberals or anti-Reformers, composed of Whigs and Tories, on the other. In the same way that Gladstone was enabled to unite under his leadership two such opposite factions as Whigs and Radicals, it is now believed that Lord Hartington may eventually see his way to unite the two more friendly bodies of Whigs and Tories, and in that way become the founder of a new party. It is argued that in such an event the Radicals would become what the Tories are now, a hopeless minority; and that a Liberal-Conservative Government would consolidate all that would still remain of English institutions, and by that means erect an impenetrable barrier against the further encroachments of the democracy and stay the tide of revolution.

But CHAMBERLAIN, as a practical statesman, is something more than a Radical and would be sure to offset any union between Whigs and Tories by a closer alliance with the labor and industry of Great Britain, as well as with the Irish popular leaders, who in a closely contested election hold the balance of power in most English and Scotch boroughs, as well as in Ireland. Unlike Lord Hartington, the wealthy Birmingham commoner has no entangling alliances with the Crown and the landed aristocracy, and can with equal freedom bid for the support of the farmer and the manufacturer, of the agricultural laborer and the artisan. "I have always said that agriculture was the largest and most important of English manufactures, and that the prosperity of all other industries is more or less dependent upon its well-doing."

Hence, naturally enough, he goes in for reforms which would make the farmer more independent, would give him security for his capital and liberty of action in dealing with the cultivation of his land. As for the Irish vote, CHAMBERLAIN is the English statesman most likely to command it, since, as the Irish leader has recently acknowledged, he is the one member of the Cabinet who has thoroughly mastered the Irish question and whose policy has been uniformly just to Ireland.

TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, 5th May.
SIR STAFFORD NORTHCOOTE AND MR. BRADLAUGH.

The House of Commons has agreed to Sir Stafford Northcoote's motion by 271 votes to 165, refusing to receive Bradlaugh's oath after he had been heard at the Bar.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

MR. A. B. JOHNSON is gazetted Acting Crown Solicitor during the absence on leave of Mr. E. Sharp, Crown Solicitor.

We notice in the *Gazette* that the Ordinance consolidating and amending the law relating to distraints for rent has been confirmed and allowed by Her Majesty.

It is notified in the Government *Gazette* that Mr. C. Osmund, Registration Clerk, has been appointed Acting First Clerk in the Registrar-General's department and Acting Deputy Registrar of Marriages, in addition to his proper duties, *vide* Mr. J. Gerard, on leave.

SATURDAY'S *Gazette* informs us that one wishing to plant Pine Trees within their own grounds in Hongkong or at Kaulung, can obtain a limited number, free of cost, by applying to the Superintendent of the Botanical and Afforestation Department.

VIENNA is to have an elevated railroad to connect the terminus of the surface steam roads with the business part of the city and with the suburbs. It is to cost £5,000,000, and will be four years building, and all the material used must be of Austrian production. It is thought that electricity will be used by the locomotives.

The German nobility were notified some time ago that they must publicly prove their right to the titles which they bear before the 1st of April. The reason for this order, which is likely to greatly thin their ranks, is that for a century past the custom has grown up of all the members of each noble family assuming the title instead of confining it to the elder branches thereof.

A SIMPLE ventilating contrivance is now attached to coffins in Germany when desired that produces a constant current of fresh air through the coffin as long as it is above ground, so that there is no danger of death by suffocation if any one has been accidentally buried while still alive, of which so many people have such apprehensive horror. An alarm is also connected with it.

It is said that the Madagascar Ambassadors while in England signed an amendment to the treaty between England and Madagascar, which gives Englishmen some important rights in that fertile island. It is agreed that British subjects shall be allowed, as fully as subjects of the Queen of Madagascar, to rent or lease land, houses and all other kinds of property in Madagascar, provided that such leases are registered at the British Consulate and with a Malagasy official specially appointed for that purpose. But British subjects cannot buy land, nor can they take up reclaimed or crown lands except under a lease from the sovereign of Madagascar. There are no taxes to be imposed on the British other than those imposed upon the natives, and no domiciliary visits are to be made, except with the consent of the occupants and in concert with the British Consul.

THE New York Police Justices had 66,667 persons before them last year, three out of four being men, and held 47,199 for trial.

THE Austrian Parliament is investigating a large Government railroad contract, on the charge that it was obtained by bribery.

It is stated that five thousand eight hundred claims have been filed in the Geneva Award Court. Of these 1,500 are from New York.

Two absconding bankrupt German Jews, apprehended at Plymouth, England, en route for the Cape, were searched by the local police, who found notes sewn in their waistcoat linings. Relieved to a London detective he noticed them fidgeting with their neckties, which were found to contain a large sum and diamonds.

It is said that the most inveterate smokers in the world are found in Burmah. Men, women, and children smoke, and, strange to say, they are equally fond of sugar. They are credited with a net consumption per head of seven pounds of tobacco per annum, whereas the consumption of the whole population of India is reckoned at only half a pound per head. The tobacco is subjected to the most rudimentary treatment and the sugar is also used in a very raw condition.

THE double lawn tennis match between Lieuts. Bunbury and Allen and Messrs. G. S. Coxen and Douglas Jones, came off on Saturday afternoon at 5 p.m. on the Cricket Ground. There was a fairly large attendance amongst whom we noticed Lady Bowen, the Misses Bowen, and the Maharajah of Johore. The match requires but little description, the military representatives having it all their own way and winning by three sets to love, the scores being 6-0, 6-1 and 6-4.

THE *London Medical Press and Circular* says: "In Abyssinia it was found that after a time the soldiers were unable to digest the coarse and imperfectly cooked rations issued to them, and that their physical strength was rapidly giving away, but with an allowance of spirits all this became changed. In other words, the military efficiency was maintained on that occasion by rum. It is on record, also, that during the Ashantee campaign a taste of navy rum helped a favored regiment on an occasion when many would have broken down completely. It is the abuse, not the use, of strong drinks in the army that is to be condemned."

A COPYRIGHT treaty is under consideration between France and Germany. France demands ten years' protection against translation of her literary productions, while Germany is only willing to give and claim the same privilege for five years. It must be understood that in the intellectual exchange between these two countries a proportion of about 90 per cent. of current French productions is appropriated or enjoyed in Germany, while the demand for German literature in France is only 10 per cent. The negotiations have come to a dead stop and the Federal Council has decided to consult experts. Germany, however, will make no further concessions, and unless France recedes, the copyright convention, which both desire, will fall to the ground.

WE observe from statistics recently published that the wages of working men in Paris have increased considerably since 1875. Thus, day laborers in 1875 received 8 cents an hour and last year they received 12 cents. Stonecutters have advanced from 14 to 24 cents an hour; house carpenters from 12 to 18 cents an hour; plumbers from 80 cents to \$1 a day and carpenters from \$1.10 to \$1.60. The sole increase in the population and the rapid increase in wealth are causes of the present increase in wages, and the rise would be still more marked were it not for the constant immigration of Belgians, Germans and Italians, who are attracted by the high rates of wages. Looked at in the light of these statistics the complaints of the socialists against the *bourgeoisie* look to say the least, singularly ill-timed.

POOR IRELAND! In the midst of many imaginary ones she has a real grievance at last. It has been ruled that Pat shall not purchase a newspaper on Sundays. At Londonderry a number of newboys were summoned for selling copies of a daily paper on the Sabbath. The prosecution was taken under the Act of William the Third, which relates to the observance of the Lord's day. The magistrates found against the defendants, and ordered the papers to be forfeited. How long are these ridiculous Acts of Parliament in reference to Sunday trading to be allowed to remain on the Statute Book? People have got wiser since our severely pious forefathers passed those enactments, which are altogether centuries behind the age. Besides, the provisions contained in them are absolutely futile, as people can well afford to carry on their business and pay the fines regularly every week just as though they formed a portion of the rates only.

PEOPLE who collect old postage stamps are generally looked upon as mild and harmless lunatics, who, for reason of having nothing better to do, spend their time in getting together useless stamps. Occasionally, it seems, such people may have a method in their madness. Take, for instance, a case which has just been made public at Vienna. A young lady of the ballet has for some time past advertised that she wanted contributions of old postage stamps. It turns out that last summer she met with a certain count, who had passed the meridian of youth by a good deal of years. The friendship between the pair became so warm that the girl asked the count to marry her. He agreed to do so upon one condition, viz., that she collected as many used postage stamps as would paper the walls of his grand salon. The ballet dancer took him at his word. Diligently she set to work, and she has succeeded in covering a good space of the wall surface, but there is yet a terrible gap left. The tale has, however, got abroad, and public sympathy has been enlisted on the girl's behalf. Old stamps are now showing in at such a rate that the salon will be papered before that old count can utter the proverbial "Jack Robinson."

MR. ADOLPHUS DENKERTER, a distinguished member of the French turf, recently met his death in a somewhat peculiar fashion. He was opening the claw of a lobster when his fork slipped, and inflicted a small wound in his finger. This was thought nothing of at the time, but blood poisoning following shortly after, and in spite of all that medical aid could do, the unfortunate gentleman died in a few days.

HIS Highness the Maharajah of Johore, who is now on his way to Japan, arrived here on Saturday afternoon by the French mail steamer *Oxus*. The Governor's launch was placed at the disposal of His Highness and brought him ashore to Murray Pier where a guard of honor of the Buffs, with the band of the regiment, was drawn up who presented arms as His Highness passed, while the shore battery thundered forth a salute. His Highness, who is a K.C.M.G. and wearer of the Star of India, is accompanied by his Private Secretary, Mr. Holt.

IF a woman elopes in England, taking any of her husband's property, she is likely to be arrested or theft under the new Married Women's Property Act, which gives the women the rights they have so long craved and also exposes them to new liabilities. Mrs. Margaret Fletcher ran away from her home at Worthington a few weeks ago and carried with her jewels and wearing apparel valued at £12. Her husband first sued for divorce and got it, and then prosecuted his wife as a thief, and the justice decided against the defendant, who was beautiful as well as wayward.

A MOVEMENT anticipatory of the battle of Dorking took place in England a few weeks ago by the combined forces of Shorncliffe, Dover, and Canterbury, upon the approach roads to Dover. The purpose was to test the practicability of protecting the mouth of the Channel Tunnel from the risk of sudden invasion, and every maneuver had that result for its object. This demonstration was expected to form a very important portion of the evidence to be given before the select committee on the tunnel scheme. The opinion of the officers at the conclusion of the strategic work was inimical to the tunnel.

MAN ACHONG, a farmer, was up before Mr. Wodehouse this morning on a charge of misconducting himself at the Koo Sing Theatre on the 5th instant. Sikh Hossein P.C. 531, stated that last Saturday at 11 p.m. he saw the farmer throwing some mail from the gallery of the "sing song" down on the people below. He could not tell the exact number of mats thrown but he was sure there were more than a hundred. The mat throwing is a regular nuisance. Defendant stated that he was only having a lark. His worship imposed a fine on the erring farmer of \$2, and he being unable to "ante up" the Mexicans, retired to the "Hotel" for a period of two weeks, hard labor being thrown in to keep him from indulging in unseemly larks.

WE are sorry to have to again allude to Doctor Brown. The medico in question would appear to be completely on the wrong tack. He was up before Mr. Wodehouse this morning on the old charge, drunk and disorderly. James Edwards, P.S. 70, stated that he saw Brown yesterday at 7 p.m., sitting at the corner of Lascar Row. He was under the influence of liquor and had a big basin of samshu before him at the time. He turned the Doctor away from where he was squatting and warned him against getting drunk. Later on in the evening he was requested to turn the intoxicated doctor out of a Chinese shop, where he was creating a disturbance. The doctor had already been turned out of two other shops. Defendant admitted being drunk and was fined one dollar, with the option of three days' confinement. As Brown was without the needful Mexican he again retired to the "Retreat."

CHAN AKWAI was sent to three months' imprisonment with hard labor by Captain Thomsett this morning for stealing a buffalo valued at \$28. It appears our friend Mr. Chan, in his wanderings last evening, came across the animal tied up to a tree near the race course. Thinking he would do some business with it he took possession of the heifer and walked it into Jardine's tennis ground where good grazing was procurable. Mr. Bell Irving opined the cattle thief and with two Chinese watchmen proceeded to collar the intruder. Henry Miller P.C. 16, who was close by, thought he would see what was the matter. On inquiries being made the man said he was a stranger and came from the Sun On district with the buffalo which he intended selling tomorrow. The constable thought that there was some foul play about the business and arrested the defendant. On arriving at the Police Station a man was waiting there who said the animal was his property. Ho Akau and Ho Aying, milk men at the Wong-nel-cheong dairy, identified the buffalo as being their master's property, which evidence convinced his Worship that the prisoner was a confounded liar as well as a beef and milk stealer.

SHUFFLEBUSTERS appear to be sadly going to the dogs if what we read in a Sydney contemporary of the "chosen of the lord" be true. The *Bulletin* says:—Twang the Harp! Two apostles of the Gospel are in quod—and man comes by his own again. Frank Warden, our very own hawk hunter and wholesale baptist vendor, and the pious J. N. Melkjohn, have met in Darlinghurst. Both false pretences or something similar. All through their history it's been false pretence. Frank Warden pretended to make people (black cooks included) whiter than snow by baptism in Woolloomooloo Bay at low tide. J. N. Melkjohn for years pointed the way to Morphet that he never went himself. He was Mayor of that town, and judged by his voice at a distance, was three leagues nearer the golden shore than any other shufflebuster in the district. He ground out verse at church on Sunday, and ground down his customers on Monday. Ten years ago he was the most influential gospel grinder on the Hunter; ten weeks ago he was an outcast in Sydney. Ten years ago he was a petty tyrant over the Corporation laborers at Morphet; now he's breaking stones himself at Darlinghurst, and getting nothing for it.

"If I take wine, I'll go to hell," faintly murmured the dying titmaltaler to the doctor, who had prescribed a stimulant. "That may be," replied the doctor, "but if you don't take it you'll go there a good deal sooner."

A MAN who went to the funeral of a friend, asked the privilege of saying a few words, which was granted. He talked eloquently for a few moments, when laying his trembling hand on the coffin, he observed that he was sorry to see that the deceased was bald-headed, which could have been easily avoided by the use of some of his hair restorer, and wound up by exhorting the mourners to try it.

WE read in a contemporary that Mr. W. Rees, a successful Fiji sugar planter, has left Melbourne for Borneo, to report on behalf of a London and Melbourne company who have got a concession of 100,000 acres from the British North Borneo Company. The soil and climate of Borneo are said to be good. The abundance of water and absence of frost it is believed will make it equal to any country in the world for the growth of sugar and tobacco, and other tropical products. Gold and diamonds also, it is stated, have been found there. Borneo being equally near Hongkong and Australia, very cheap Chinese labour is obtainable.

A GENTLEMAN recently entered a London fashionable church, where the female pew-opener expects gratuities. Twiddling a half-crown between finger and thumb, he was politely shown into a pew, and then dexterously conveyed a half-penny into the expectant palm of his conductor, who clutched the coin and, smirkingly withdrew. Presently the woman brought him a hymn-book, and still smirkingly whispered, "You made a mistake, sir; it was only a half-penny you gave me."—"No," said the gentleman with a benevolent smile, "it's all right, I never give less." Exit pew-opener, not smirking this time.

A LADY, while engaged in the pursuit of her domestic duties, encountered a mouse in the flour barrel. Now most ladies under similar circumstances would have uttered a few feminine shrieks, and then sought safety in the garret. But this one possessed more than the ordinary degree of feminine courage. She summoned the man-servant and told him to get the rifle, call the bull-dog, and station himself at a convenient distance; then she climbed half-way upstairs and commenced to punch the flour barrel with a pole. Presently the mouse made his appearance, and started across the floor. The dog at once went in pursuit. The man fired, and the dog dropped dead. The lady fainted and fell down stairs, and the man thinking that she was killed, disappeared and has not been seen since. The mouse escaped.

DR. SPINA of Vienna, has been experimenting with the bacilli of tuberculosis; otherwise known as the germs of consumption, and he claims not only that many of the experiments of Koch are incomplete and erroneous, but also that the conclusions are unwarranted. He declares that the tuberculosis bacilli of Koch possess no characteristics which can separate them from the bacteria of putrefaction; that it is not proved that all of Koch's bacilli are of the same character; that they are not constant in tuberculous masses and that their extent does not correspond to the extent of the disease. He objects to the vaccination experiments of Koch and denies that the bacilli only multiply at a temperature corresponding to that of mammals. As Dr. Spina is the assistant of Professor Stricker his views are looked upon as in some measure having a faculty indorsement and the problem of curing consumption appears to evolve new mysteries as the investigation progresses.

A YACHT race came off on the afternoon of Saturday last in which the following "cracks" took part. Dr. Von der Horck's *Sunflower*, Mr. Cooke's *Arrow*, Mr. Tripp's *Sis Lark*, Mr. Smith's *Marit*, Mr. Leatherbarrow's *Sunbeam*, and Mr. ————'s *Oblivion*. A start was made at 2.55 p.m. from the Kowloon coal sheds and after the *Oblivion* capsize off the Cosmopolitan Dock, the trim little fleet bore merrily away for Green Island which was rounded first by the *Sunflower*, the *Arrow*, and the *Sea Lark* being close behind in the order named. A beating match up to the Channel Rocks was then indulged in, most of the boats taking different routes, which ended in the *Marit* passing the Rocks first at 5.45, the others following at *Arrow* 5.49, *Sunflower* 5.55, *Sis Lark* 6.01. The winning post was passed by the *Marit* at 6.16, *Arrow* 6.20, and *Sunbeam* 6.24. The weather was nearly all that could be desired for a sailing race and it must have been gratifying to those gentlemen who are trying to revive the sport in Hongkong to see such a large muster of "wind-jammers" come to the scratch.

Most students are familiar with the tremendous philippics by Junius against the then Duke of Grafton. The present Duke has just had the order of the Garter, and a correspondent of *The Bulletin* says:—Twang the Harp! Two apostles of the Gospel are in quod—and man comes by his own again. Frank Warden, our very own hawk hunter and wholesale baptist vendor, and the pious J. N. Melkjohn, have met in Darlinghurst. Both false pretences or something similar. All through their history it's been false pretence. Frank Warden pretended to make people (black cooks included) whiter than snow by baptism in Woolloomooloo Bay at low tide. J. N. Melkjohn for years pointed the way to Morphet that he never went himself. He was Mayor of that town, and judged by his voice at a distance, was three leagues nearer the golden shore than any other shufflebuster in the district. He ground out verse at church on Sunday, and ground down his customers on Monday. Ten years ago he was the most influential gospel grinder on the Hunter; ten weeks ago he was an outcast in Sydney. Ten years ago he was a petty tyrant over the Corporation laborers at Morphet; now he's breaking stones himself at Darlinghurst, and getting nothing for it.

THE Bishop of London, riding between his two town-houses, passes too taverns, all the property of his Church. "Gin and the Gospel are there like twin brothers. We do not care to hurt the feelings of such a pious prelate by saying he is wrong, but we think he might at least take some other way when he rides between his two town-houses. By the way, who is this, again, who had not a place wherein to lay his head? Our memory is so bad."

AN amusing instance of the spurious character of the special prosecutions of leading Irishmen was furnished in the Dublin Court, where Mr. Healy, M.P., was being tried under an information which, technically threw dirt on him as "a person of ill-fame." As soon as the "person of ill-fame" entered the Court to stand his trial, the public prosecutor, Mr. Gladstone's Attorney-General for Ireland, walked forward and cordially shook hands with him.

A DOVER paper says, "The Chief Constable of Cardiff has publicly and officially stated that since the public-houses have been closed, Sunday drinking has been greatly on the increase. And so it was the case in Scotland after the adoption of the Forbes-Mackenzie Act. There were more drunken men and women at Kirk and Chapel, than were previously found in the public-houses. It is asked why, if it is so wrong to get drunk on Sunday should it not be equally culpable to get drunk on Monday?"

CHUN CHO KAO, a widow, was brought up before Captain Thomsett this morning on a charge of bringing into 'the Colony' for the purpose of prostitution, a girl of 18 years of age. The case was recommended for trial at the Police Court by the Registrar, at whose office the girl had called to get her number and to produce her photograph. From enquiries made by the Registrar the licence was withheld. Captain Thomsett, however, discharged the defendant, as the girl stated she was neither bought nor enticed into the business in any way, but that she came to enlist herself as a prostitute of her own free will.

OUR local policeman of the white persuasion are well known to be a marshall lot of fellows in the "running in" line; and the following story has been forwarded to us respecting one of the most prominent of them, we won't say which, since, if we were the cause of his promotion, we might get ourselves disliked by the others. "It is this:—Not so long ago a party who was temporarily resident here was 'wanted' for something done in another colony and instructions were given for his arrest. 'You can't arrest that man without a *habeas corpus* you know,' said the superior officer to the constable. 'I guess I'll do very well with this stick,' was the reply, and 'George' smiled as the intrepid B—marched out of the office."

A CORRESPONDENT writes us as follows:—I was walking along towards Wanchai the other night in company with two friends, when I saw one of the most curious sights I have ever seen during a stay of over ten years in this colony. A little way beyond the Eastern Market I noticed a couple of ducks eating rice from a dish, the feathered members being carefully "shepherded" by an old coolie. The ducks seemed to have no legs so I took stock of them and found they were each provided with a couple of very short stumps at the ends of which were round knobs, like what are usually to be seen on the end of a wooden leg. On enquiring at the 'coolie' I was informed that the animals were in good health, and had never been blessed with the appendages which ducks usually have for the purpose of "padding their own carcasses." I was prompted to make the enquiry, as I thought it just possible that the Celestial had been trying an experiment of the "cramped feet" description on the "quackers." On my offering to purchase the curious coolie grinned and replied "no wanchaellum, blong good chances piggy." I send you this, so that any of your readers who have a liking for the freaks of nature may be able to gratify their whim. The ducks are to be seen almost at any time in the near vicinity of the Wanchai joss house.

WHAT may happen to a man in Victoria? He was a poor hard-worked member of the reporting staff of a Melbourne daily newspaper, and recently he obtained the three weeks' holiday granted to each of the fellows in turn throughout the year. He went up the country by rail, and near him in the carriage sat a most attractive example of a lovely woman, subject to the description of "fat, fair, and forty." Our friend of the press, it must be remarked, is very good-looking, aged about 30, and of exceedingly gentlemanly address. Lady happens to drop her handkerchief; reporter picks it up, and hands it over with the most killing bow. Conversation ensues. Reporter tells her how he is and what he is going over to "Australia" to complete his holiday. Lady says she is travelling for recreation, and happens to be also on the way to the same place. Both journey together. The lady is the widow of a successful quarry reeve, and has an income of £2,000 a year. She has also a mansion at Torquay, and was morning when the proprietor of the paper with whom she was travelling had been engaged, and standing near the mansion in question debating whether he would himself be willing in a case of emergency to take a penny bus there were some who were not so ready with common sense and common sense. The reporter, however, was not so ready with common sense, and when he got to the end of his journey, he found that the lady was not so ready with common sense as he had supposed. He had been told that she was a widow of a successful quarry reeve, and had an income of £2,000 a year. She has also a mansion at Torquay, and was morning when the proprietor of the paper with whom she was travelling had been engaged, and standing near the mansion in question debating whether he would himself be willing in a case of emergency to take a penny bus there were some who were not so ready with common sense and common sense. 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